

**INCORPORATION OF EXOGENOUS LACTIC BACTERIA  
INTO THE ORAL MICROFLORA**

**ABSTRACT**

Compositions for the prophylaxis or treatment of dental caries, dental plaque, and periodontal infection that include lactic bacteria that are not part of the resident microflora of the mouth, that are low acidifying, and that are capable of adhering directly to the pellicle of the teeth. The compositions are used in methods of treating or preventing dental caries, dental plaque, and periodontal infection.